Reviving Indian Iron and Steel Company Ltd.

2114. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU : Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have received a fresh proposal for revival of the sick Indian Iron and Steel Company Ltd.:

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government have examined the proposal; and

(d) if so, the reaction of Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI BRAJ KISHORE TRIPATHY) : (a) to (d) SAIL has submitted a revival proposal amounting to Rs. 1081 crore for IISCO to Government which includes funds for Voluntary Retirement Scheme (VRS) and capital investments at Burnpur Works and its mines and collieries, besides provisions for meeting its cash losses. No decision has yet been taken in the matter.

Working Conditions of Employees in NSFs

2115. SHRI ANANTRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE : Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news item which appeared in the Tribune on November 6, 2001 regarding improving the working conditions of Joint Secretaries/Asstt. Secretaries, associated with various National Sports Federations;

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto;

(c) whether Government have received any representation from the employees of National Sports Federations;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) what remedial steps Government propose to take to improve the service conditions of these employees?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI P. RADHAKRISHNAN) : (a) to (d) The News item which